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SUBJECT: TUNISIAN-LIBYAN CONTINENTAL SHELF DISPUTE:

TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE

1. TUNISIAN PAPERS, SUNDAY, JUNE 12, RELEASED FRENCH

TRANSLATION OF THE ARABIC ORIGINAL OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE

SIGNED JUNE 10 FOLLOWING THREE DAYS OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN TUNISIAN AND LIBYAN DELEGATIONS UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF ARAB LEAGUE SECRETARY GENERAL MAHMUD RIADH. AN INFORMAL ENGLISH TRANSLATION, BASED ON THE FRENCH TEXT, FOLLOWS:

2. QTE TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE AUTHORITATIVE INSTRUCTIONS OF THEIR EXCELLENCIES PRESIDENT HABIB BOURGUIBA AND COLONEL MOAMER QADHAFI AND PURSUANT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TUNISIAN REPUBLIC AND THE LIBYAN ARAB PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST JAMAHIRIYAH TO SETTLE THE QUESTION OF THE DELIMITATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF THROUGH NEGOTIATION AND ARBITRATION, A MEETING WAS HELD AT TUNIS FROM THE 20TH TO THE 23RD JUMADA 1397, CORRESPONDING TO THE PERIOD FROM THE 7TH TO THE 10TH OF JUNE 1977, UNDER THE AEGIS OF MR. MAHMUD RIADH, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES, BETWEEN A TUNISIAN DELEGATION HEADED BY MR. HABIB CHATTY, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND AN ARAB LIBYAN DELEGATION HEADED BY BROTHER DOCTOR ALI ABDESSALEM TURAYKI, SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

3. QTE MESSRS. MAHMUD RIADH AND BROTHER DOCTOR ALI TURAYKI WERE RECEIVED IN AUDIENCE BY HIS EXCELLENCY, MR. HABIB BOURGUIBA, PRESIDENT OF THE TUNISIAN REPUBLIC, AND HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. HEDI NOUIRA, PRIME MINISTER.

4. QTE THE TWO DELEGATIONS, HEADED BY THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE TUNISIAN REPUBLIC AND THE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE LIBYAN ARAB PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST JAMAHIRIYAH, HELD IN THE PRESENCE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN AN UNCLASSIFIED

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ATMOSPHERE CHARACTERIZED BY A SPIRIT OF BROTHERLINESS AND FRANKNESS AND AIMED AT FINDING A SOLUTION TO THIS CASE WHICH GUARANTEES THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS AND NATIONAL INTERESTS OF EACH OF THE BROTHER COUNTRIES.

5. QTE THE TWO DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED THEIR THANKS AND APPRECIATION FOR THE INITIATIVE UNDERTAKEN BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES TO CONVOKE THIS MEETING, ANIMATED BY A DESIRE TO CONCILIATE THE BROTHERS AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO A SEARCH FOR A SOLUTION TO THE QUESTION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE ARAB FAMILY.

6. QTE DR. ALI ABDESSALEM TURAYKI PAID HOMAGE TO THE ROLE WHICH HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA CONTINUED TO PLAY, NOT ONLY IN PRESERVING FRATERNAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES BUT ALSO IN UNIFYING THE POSITIONS OF THE ARAB NATION IN THE FACE OF ITS NUMEROUS ENEMIES.

7. QTE MR HABIB CHATTY, TO THIS PART, EXPRESSED HIS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE SPIRIT MANIFESTED BY THE POSITIONS OF BROTHER COLONEL MOAMER QADHAFI AND FOR HIS DESIRE TO SEE PREVAIL THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CLIMATE PROPITIOUS TO A DIALOGUE AND TO THE REENFORCEMENT OF THE TIES OF BROTHERHOOD AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN A WAY THAT CAN SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE TWO BROTHER PEOPLES.

8. QTE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THESE CONVERSATIONS THE TWO PARTIES, TUNISIAN-ARAB-LIBYAN, SIGNED THE TEXT OF THE "COMPROMIS" ACCORDING TO WHICH THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF THE DELIMITATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF BETWEEN THEM TO THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE AND WOULD ACCEPT ITS JURISDICTION IN THIS AFFAIR.

9. QTE THE TWO PARTIES, IN EXPRESSING THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE SPIRIT OF BROTHERHOOD WHICH PREVAILED DURING UNCLASSIFIED

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THEIR WORK AND FOR THE POSITIVE RESULTS WHICH THIS WORK PRODUCED, REAFFIRM THEIR DESIRE TO PURSUE THEIR EFFORTS TO REENFORCE AND EDVELOP THE RELATIONS OF BROTHERHOOD AND COOPERATION EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN VARIOUS FIELDS BY EVERY MEANS WHICH CAN BRING ABOUT GREAT STRIDES AND PROGRESS FOR THE TWO ARAB BROTHER PEOPLES AND INSURE THE TRIUMPH OF THEIR CAUSE AFFECTING THE DESTINY OF THE ARAB NATION. UNQTE.
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